

University of Wisconsin Carbone Cancer Center (UWCCC) Tobacco Treatment Program (TTP) Internal Referral Protocol and EHR Documentation

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Screening and Referral

A single tobacco screening flowsheet data element capturing any tobacco smoking in the past 30 days is stored in one location but appears in multiple workflows—intake, nurse navigation, and provider referrals—to capture patients recently diagnosed with cancer who enter cancer treatment in varied ways, enhance visibility, and prevent duplicate screening across teams.

Intake and Navigation

Oncology Intake Nurses and Nurse Navigators screen patients for combustible tobacco use at every encounter. The Flowsheet screening element appears in the Intake Nurses SmartForm:

Tobacco Treatment Program

In the past 30 days, have you smoked any tobacco (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, roll your own), even a single puff?

Yes No Declined to Respond

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The Nurse Navigator NoteWriter SmartForm shows whether or not the screening question has already been asked by an Intake Nurse:

Gad-7

No data to display

Substance & Sexual Activity

No substance use or sexual activity history on file.

Tobacco Treatment Program Screen

9/23/2025

Tobacco Treatment Program Screening

In the past 90 days, have you smoked any tobacco (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, roll your own), even a single puff? **Yes**

A tobacco specialist from our clinic will reach out to talk with you soon to let you know what smoking treatments are available. [Tobacco Treatment Outreach](#)

Malnutrition Screening

Substance Use

Tobacco Treatment Program last screened: 9/23/2025

[Document Tobacco Treatment Program \(TTP\) Screening](#)

[Substance & Sexual History Report](#)

[History - Substance](#)

Other related needs identified or general comments:

Insert SmartText

100%

Substance Use Barriers to Care Identified

Tobacco Alcohol Other None

Sexual Health/Fertility

Emotional/Mental Health

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If a previous value has not been recorded (i.e., the patient has not yet been asked the screening questions), a hyperlink appears in red and takes the Nurse Navigator to a Pop-Up that contains the Flowsheet screening element where a value can be documented.

PHQ Depression Screening
No data to display

Gad-7
No data to display

Substance & Sexual Activity
No substance use or sexual activity history on file.

Tobacco Treatment Program Screen
No data to display

Substance Use
Tobacco Treatment Program last screened: Not Found
Document Tobacco Treatment Program (TTP) Screening
Substance & Sexual History Report
History - Substance
Other related needs identified or general comments:
[Tools: abc, undo, redo, find, insert SmartText, zoom in, zoom out, zoom reset, 100%]

Flowsheet SmartForm Pop-Up

Time taken: 6/15/2026 1438 Responsible Create Note

TTP Screening
In the past 30 days, have you smoked any tobacco (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, roll your own), even a single puff?
Yes No Declined to Respond
Create Note

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Provider Referral

The Flowsheet screening element with any previously recorded values also appears in a referral order available to all clinics, so that clinic staff placing the order can first ensure that the patient has not already been referred by an Intake Nurse or Nurse Navigator.

Consult to Carbone Tobacco Treatment Program [Accept] [Cancel]

Tobacco Treatment Program Screen 6/9/2026
Tobacco Treatment Program Screening
In the past 30 days, have you smoked any tobacco (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, roll your own), even a single puff? Yes
A tobacco specialist from our clinic will reach out to talk with you soon to let you know what smoking treatments are available. Tobacco Treatment Outreach
Details

Priority: Routine ASAP STAT
Status: Normal Standing Future
Class: Internal referral
Phase of Care: [Search]
Process Instructions: This resource is for patients with cancer who smoke tobacco. Refer non-oncology and non-smoking patients to the Wisconsin Tobacco Quit Line at 1-800 QUIT-NOW or https://quitline.wisc.edu/.
In the past 30 days, have you smoked any tobacco (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, roll your own), even a single puff? Yes []
A Carbone tobacco treatment specialist will reach out to the patient to let them know what smoking treatments are available. Tobacco Treatment Outreach Comments
Comments: [Text Area] [?] [?]
Scheduling Instructions: [Text Area] [?] [?]

Next Required [Accept] [Cancel]

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If they have not already been referred to the program, clinic staff directly refer patients to the program using the referral order with the Flowsheet screening element embedded:

Consult to Carbone Tobacco Treatment Program

Priority: Routine | ASAP | STAT

Status: Normal | Standing | Future

Class: Internal referral

Phase of Care:

Process Instructions: This resource is for patients with cancer who smoke tobacco. Refer non-oncology and non-smoking patients to the Wisconsin Tobacco Quit Line at 1-800 QUIT-NOW or <https://quitline.wisc.edu/>.

In the past 30 days, have you smoked any tobacco (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, roll your own), even a single puff?

Yes

A Carbone tobacco treatment specialist will reach out to the patient to let them know what smoking treatments are available.

Tobacco Treatment Outreach

Comments:

Scheduling Instructions:

Next Required

Accept Cancel

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Proactive Outreach

All patients who respond “yes” to the Flowsheet screening item are added to a modified smoking registry:

Registry Editor: TOBACCO REGISTRY [82014]

General

Registry ID: 82014

Name: TOBACCO REGISTRY

Display name: Tobacco Registry

Type: Chronic Disease

Is public?

Status: Active

Description: This registry stores information related to the topic of tobacco. This registry consolidates patient information from many subject areas including lab values, encounters, vitals, medications, diagnoses, surgical history, and social history. Only patients that meet specific inclusion criteria have information stored in the registry.

Record INI: EPT

Granularity: Record-based

Linked registry:

Allowed reporting content:

Update methods: ☒ Event-based ☒ Scheduled

Event-based updates: ☐ Evaluate during off-peak hours if possible

Schedule: Every 14 days starting Monday 09/22/2025

Prerequisite Registries

Add registry:

Prerequisite Registry ID Inherit Metrics? Membership Required? Registry Status

Inclusion and Metrics

Inclusion rule: UW DM Inclusion Tobacco [1986075] ☐ Manual Inclusion Only

Add/search metric:

Metric	ID	Display Group	Active?	External?
DM HISTORY LAST SMOKELESS TOBACCO USE STATUS	19188	Social History	☒	Enabled
PRIMARY PAYER	19238	General	☒	Enabled
PRIMARY BENEFIT PLAN	19239	General	☒	Enabled
PRIMARY PAYER'S FINANCIAL CLASS	19240	General	☒	Enabled
PRIMARY PAYER'S PRODUCT TYPE	19241	General	☒	Enabled
DM GENERAL AGE	82005	General	☒	Enabled
DM ENCOUNTER LAST VISIT TO A PULMONOLOGIST	82039	Past Visit Information	☒	Enabled
DM HISTORY LAST SMOKING TOBACCO USE STATUS	82153	Social History	☒	Enabled
DM HISTORY AVERAGE ALCOHOL QTY	82186	Social History	☒	Enabled
DM History Last Tobacco Cessation Counseling	82169	Social History	☒	Enabled
DM HISTORY LAST SMOKING TOBACCO REVIEWED DATE	82170	Social History	☒	Enabled
DM MED IS PRESCRIBED SMOKING DETERRENTS	82413	Medications	☒	Enabled
DM MED LAST CURRENT SMOKING DETERRENT	82420	Social History	☒	Enabled
DM DIAGNOSIS IS PATIENT PREGNANT	82475	Vitals	☒	Enabled
DM Diagnosis Does Patient Have Coronary Artery Disease	82476	Comorbidities	☒	Enabled
DM Diagnosis Does Patient Have Diabetes Excluding Gestatio...	82479	Comorbidities	☒	Enabled
DM Diagnosis Does Patient Have Emphysema	82480	Comorbidities	☒	Enabled
DM Diagnosis Does Patient Have Hypertension	82490	Comorbidities	☒	Enabled
DM Diagnosis Does Patient Have Asthma	82571	Comorbidities	☒	Enabled
DM Diagnosis Does Patient Have Chronic Bronchitis	82572	Comorbidities	☒	Enabled
UW DM Tobacco Treatment Program Smoked Recently	1986076	Flowsheets	☒	Enabled
UW DM Tobacco Treatment Program Specialist Outreach	1986078	Flowsheets	☒	Enabled

All metrics loaded (22)

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In addition, all patients who respond “yes” to the Flowsheet screening item are added to a workbench report with a list of patients due for the UW Tobacco Treatment Specialist’s (TTS) proactive phone outreach, unless the patient actively opts out of such outreach at the time of screening:

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This serves as the primary operational worklist for the TTS; the TTS proactively reaches out by telephone to all patients who appear on the workbench report.

Treatment

The UWCCC TTP offers patients 4 free, telephone-based counseling calls tailored to the cancer experience and Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) medications.

Counseling

The counseling protocol consists of a Treatment Planning Call to identify a Target Quit Date or change goal, assess eligibility for NRT, and pend an order for NRT for clinician signature; two Treatment Calls to support behavior change goals, medication adherence, and side effect management; and a 12-Week Follow-Up Call to assess smoking status and re-enroll in a new episode of care if needed.

NoteWriter templates are used for all counseling call types to support standardized, workflow-aligned documentation; efficient charting and consistent data capture; and effective monitoring, follow-up, and reporting:

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Medications

Medications available through the TTP include patch, gum, lozenge, or combination of patch + gum/lozenge. Although available over-the-counter, the medications are prescribed to increase the likelihood of insurance coverage and medication adherence. Under a delegation protocol, the TTS pends medication orders for the signature of prescribing clinicians. A SmartSet with prescription defaults aligned with the delegation protocol is used to pend orders. Materials for patients, including a Quit Plan or Change Guide, are automatically added to Patient Instructions based on SmartSet selections.

